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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**  
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Docket No. : 51474/DRK/S1081  
Inventor(s) : Steven A. Williams  
Title : OBJECT GRIPPING DEVICE AND OPENER  
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December 11, 2003

1.  **FEE TRANSMITTAL FORM** (*Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing*).

2. **IF A CONTINUING APPLICATION**

This application is a continuation-in-part of patent application No. 10/329,659 filed December 26, 2002.

Prior application information: Examiner Not Known; Group Art Unit: 3652.

This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §119(e) and 37 CFR §1.78(a)(4).

3. **APPLICATION COMPRISED OF**

**Specification**

16 Specification, claims and Abstract (total pages)

**Drawings**

21 Sheets of formal drawing(s) (FIGS. 1 to 23)

**Declaration and Power of Attorney**

Newly executed

Unexecuted declaration

Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))(for continuation and divisional)

4. **Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)**

5. **Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)**

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**6. APPLICANT(S) STATUS UNDER 37 CFR §1.27**

Applicant(s) and any others associated with it/them under §1.27(a) are a **SMALL ENTITY**

**7. ALSO ENCLOSED ARE**

- Request and Certificate under 35 U.S.C. §122(b)(2)(B)(i) **Request for Non-Publication**  
 Preliminary Amendment  
\_\_\_\_\_ Includes "Cross-Reference to Related Applications"  
 A Petition for Extension of Time for the parent application and the required fee are enclosed  
 An Assignment of the invention with the Recordation Cover Sheet and the recordation fee are enclosed  
 This application is owned by pursuant to an Assignment recorded at Reel , Frame  
 Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO/SB/08A/B  
\_\_\_\_\_ Copies of IDS Citations  
 Certified copy of Priority Document(s) (*if foreign priority is claimed*)  
 English Translation Document (*if applicable*)  
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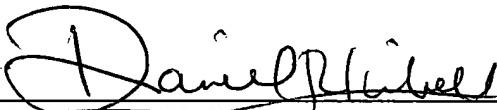
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**FEE DETERMINATION**

| CLAIMS AS FILED               |              |              |                   |                   |       |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------|
|                               | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA | SMALL ENTITY RATE | LARGE ENTITY RATE | FEE   |
| TOTAL CLAIMS                  | 20 - 20      | = 0          | x \$9.00          | x \$18.00         |       |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS            | 3 - 3        | = 0          | x \$43.00         | x \$86.00         |       |
| MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE |              |              | \$145.00          | \$290.00          |       |
| BASIC FEE                     |              |              | \$385.00          | \$770.00          | 385   |
| TOTAL FILING FEE              |              |              |                   |                   | \$385 |

List Independent Claims: 1, 18 and 19

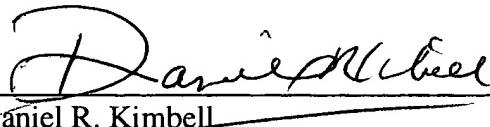
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